


BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2000-0078-T - ORDER NO. 2000-0496

JUNE 8, 2000

IN RE: Staff Petition for Rule to Show Case as to)	ORDER DISMISSING
Why American Relocation Systems, Inc.)	PETITION FOR RULE
Should Not Possess a Class E Certificate of)	TO SHOW CAUSE
Public Convenience and Necessity, or, in the)	
Alternative, Why the Class E Certificate of)	
Public Convenience and Necessity Possessed)	
by Atlantic Transfer & Storage Co., Inc.)	
Should Not Be Revoked.)	



This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of the Commission Staff for dismissal of the Staff Petition for Rule to Show Cause as to why American Relocation Systems, Inc. (American Relocation) should not possess a Class E Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, or, in the alternative, why the Class E Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity possessed by Atlantic Transfer & Storage Co., Inc. (Atlantic Transfer) should not be revoked. The Petition in this matter alleged that American Relocation was moving household goods for compensation on the improved public highways of South Carolina without obtaining a Class E Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity as required by State law. In the alternative, the Petition alleged, on information and belief that Atlantic Transfer, a certificated carrier, was allowing American Relocation to move household goods for compensation on the improved public highways of South Carolina

as its agent and servant without properly following the rules and regulations of the State of South Carolina.

Staff now reports that it has received affidavits from officers of these companies. With regard to American Relocation, Jacqueline E. Honeycutt, President of that company, states, among other things, that American Relocation is not presently operating as a company, and has no plans to resume operations. Honeycutt further states that should the company begin operating again, it will not engage in for-hire transportation between points and places in South Carolina without first receiving a Class E Certificate from the Commission and that it will comply with all other statutes and regulations relating to intrastate for-hire transportation in South Carolina. With regard to Atlantic Transfer, the certificated carrier, Tom Roth, President of that company states, among other things, that it will document all transactions with other carriers in compliance with Commission Regulation 103-220. The company President also agrees to audits of such documents in three months and again in six months. Further, Roth agrees to make good faith efforts to resolve customer complaints in-house.

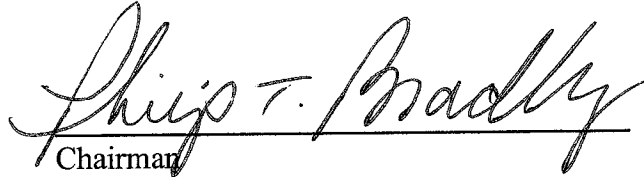
It appears to this Commission that the two companies involved have made a major effort to attempt to address the problems described in the Petition for Rule to Show Cause by giving certain assurances in affidavit form. We approve of the two companies efforts in this regard, and commend them and the Commission Staff for resolving this rather complex matter. Accordingly, we grant the request of the Staff to dismiss the Petition for Rule to Show Cause, under the conditions specified in the two affidavits. The three and six months audits described above shall be timed from the date of this Order.

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This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the
Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

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